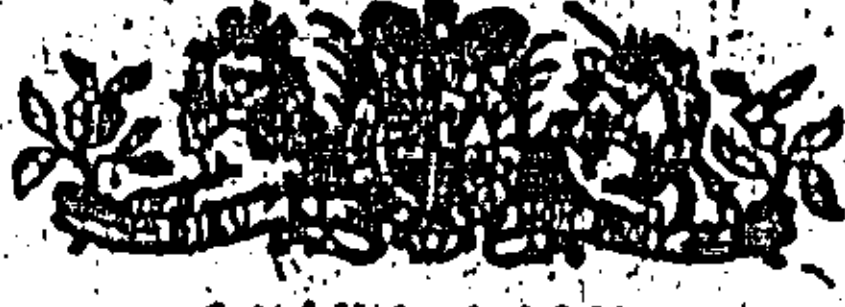


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COMMENT OF THE DAY

A Happier Situation

EFFECTS of the new Egyptian Cabinet's policies and actions designed to restore law and order within the country are beginning to manifest themselves. Cairo, Alexandria and other key cities have been free from disorders for a fortnight and more, while the Suez Canal Zone has remained correspondingly quiet. The situation has improved immeasurably giving foundation to the impression that King Farouk's present advisers intend to try and find a peaceful solution to the Anglo-Egyptian dispute. Britain will certainly respond readily. Until now the British attitude has been grossly and deliberately mis-stated by Egyptian politicians, newspapers and radio. Until King Farouk dismissed Nahas Pasha and his Wafdist Government no attempt was made to present the people of Egypt with a reasoned and fair analysis of the problem. The extremists were interested only in arousing anti-British passions. A much happier state of affairs is becoming discernible. The possibilities of new and productive negotiations between London and Cairo are growing. The present British Government, as did its predecessor, insists that the restoration of peace and order in the Canal Zone is a prerequisite for bilateral discussions leading to a settlement of the Anglo-Egyptian dispute. This commonsense proposition appears to be appreciated by Maher Pasha, who has shown considerable resolution in keeping fanatical agitators and demonstrators in check. There is reason to feel that the Egyptian Government is making genuine efforts to pave the way for a negotiated settlement of the dispute.

TWO vital issues are involved: one, control of the Suez Canal Zone; the other, the future of the Sudan. A bilateral agreement would probably offer the quickest method of resolving both problems. Britain, rightly so, regards the 1936 Anglo-Egyptian Treaty as still being operative and that its terms can only be modified or the pact abrogated by mutual consent. Some of its provisions serve to safeguard international, rather than purely British interests, notably those relating to the security of the Canal Zone; hence Britain's desire to seek an immediate settlement within the framework of the four-Power proposals which embrace a Middle East defence scheme. This envisages a gradual reduction of British troops in the Suez with Egypt assuming a correspondingly senior role in the maintenance of its security. On such a basis Egypt could gradually move towards realisation of her legitimate aspirations for sole control and administration of the area. It now appears fairly definite that Britain will invite Egypt to enter into negotiations on broad lines such as these, and its acceptance will mark the first positive step towards settlement of a dispute which at this time endangers the whole of the Middle East.

500 Paris Arrests

Paris, Feb. 10. Some 500 persons were arrested in Paris today and their papers checked by the Police during a few extreme leftist demonstrations to commemorate the February 1934 upheaval which followed the Stavisky scandal.—France-Press.

FAR EAST PEACE TALKS

ENVISAGED Would Depend On Satisfactory Korea Armistice

(From R. M. McCOLL)

Washington, Feb. 10.

The United States is prepared, should an armistice satisfactory to the United Nations be reached in Korea, to enter into a much wider conference with the Communists to try and arrive at a general settlement on all problems at present bedevilling the West in the Far East and Southeast Asia.

Among these problems would be one ending the guerilla war in Malaya and two ending the similar Red guerilla campaigns in Indo-China and the Philippines.

But America would have certain conditions for such a general peace conference. They would include:—

1. Insistence that not only America, Britain, Russia, Communist China and France should take part but also all nations having a vital stake in the Far East—especially Japan.

2. That the conference agreed beforehand to discuss questions which America wanted to see on the agenda and not simply limit discussion topics to one or two items.

3. That the conference would have the effect of avoiding concentration on two topics which the Reds have hitherto shown themselves most anxious to talk about—Inclusion of Red China in the United Nations and the future of Formosa.

America means to insist that the conference members should discuss a new international pact guaranteeing any Korean political settlement that may be reached.

America will also insist that only those United Nations members which actually sent troops to fight in Korea will have any say in the conference to negotiate an overall Korean political settlement.

But reports reaching Washington from Panmunjom tonight say the Communists are going to insist for their part that an absolute condition for a Korean settlement shall be the withdrawal from the waters round Formosa of the United States 7th Fleet.—London Express Service.

FOUR PRINCIPLES

New York, Feb. 10. America has decided on four principles that will govern its policy if there is an armistice in Korea, the New York Times' diplomatic correspondent, James Reston, said in a report from Washington today.

Reston said that the principles were: "The United Nations' representatives in any conference to negotiate a political settlement in Korea should be drawn from nations whose troops have fought for the United Nations there."

"The United States would be willing to discuss any Korean question at that conference but would insist that the conference discuss the creation of a unified Korea under an independent, democratic government."

"The United States also insists that the conference discuss an international guarantee of any settlement."

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Child, Three Times Restored To Life, Finally Dies

New York, Feb. 10.

Theresa Cartagena, restored to life three times with emergency massage to her stopped heart, died last night, her brain apparently starved for oxygen during the periods of lifelessness.

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A camel, heavily loaded, struggles to its feet in the Canal Zone. Beyond is an armoured car of No. 4001 Armoured Car Flight, RAF Regiment, which unit has recently been flown from its normal station at Amman, Jordan, to RAF Station at Fayid, to reinforce the Army's Patrols in the Canal Zone.—London Express.

55 SLAIN IN TRIBAL RIOTING

Teheran, Feb. 10.

Fierce mountain tribesmen, who beheaded the local Governor and three other officials last night, battled with swords and knives today, killing 55 persons and injuring more than 200.

The new casualties increased to 71 persons killed the toll of violence connected with tribal fighting. Martial law was proclaimed throughout the Zehidan-Zahol area, but the Army troops there were not strong enough to maintain order. Heavy reinforcements were on the way from Kerman, the provincial capital.

The outbreak, which began as a protest against local election machinery, had developed into a virtual tribal war between followers of the two chiefestans.

HOUSES FIRED

Throughout the day, tribal bands clashed frequently with knives, swords, clubs or rocks. Several houses were set on fire. General Ali Garani, Iranian Chief of Staff, visited Shah Mohammed Reza Pehlevi tonight to brief him on the situation.

The Prime Minister, Dr Mohammed Mossadegh, announced that local officials had been ordered to take "drastic action to restore lawlessness and punish culprits."

First word of the outbreak was contained in a government communique which said the Governor, the elections inspector and two members of the election board were decapitated last night by rioters. Recommendations to the Chief of Police and "several others"—United Press.

FOUR KILLED IN BUS ACCIDENT

Madrid, Feb. 10.

Four people died and 28 were seriously injured when a motor bus hurtled into a ravine near Sama, in Qljon Province, today.

The remainder of the 70 passengers all received minor injuries except a small boy, who escaped unhurt. The bus turned over seven times before coming to rest.—Reuter.

Inquiry Into Shooting Incident

Cairo, Feb. 10.

An inquiry has been opened following yesterday's incident between British servicemen in a canal zone army canton where one officer and a corporal were killed and two soldiers wounded. It was announced here today. One person has been arrested.—France-Press.

Britain To Invite Egypt To Resume Negotiations

Cairo, Feb. 10.

Britain will shortly make a formal overture to Egypt for a resumption of negotiations to settle the Anglo-Egyptian dispute, it was learned authoritatively here tonight.

The British Ambassador, Sir Ralph Stevenson, is expected to make the first approach to Premier Aly Maher Pasha after the funeral of King George on February 15.

"This will be the first formal move towards a settlement since the Egyptian treaty last October."

The main item in the forthcoming talks is expected to be the evacuation of British forces from the Suez Canal Zone.

According to usually reliable sources Britain is expected to make evacuation conditional upon Egypt's adherence to the Western Powers' proposal for a Middle East Command. But tranquility in the Canal Zone is essential for the success of the talks, the sources added. Meanwhile it is reported from Ismailia that the British military authorities have begun official talks with the Egyptians with a view to restoring full powers to the civil Police in the Canal Zone and the possible withdrawal of British troops from Egyptian towns in the Zone.

SECRET MEETING

They will also discuss the withdrawal of British military restrictions in these towns, usually reliable sources said.

General Sir George Erskine's headquarters confirmed today that the General had met the Canal Zone Governor, Abdel Hady Ghazaly, secretly yesterday, in an isolated house outside Ismailia.

At this, their first meeting this year, they were understood to have discussed what immediate steps might be taken to restore "normality" to the Canal Zone.

During the last week the Egyptians have shown their willingness to round up and control terrorists for the first time since the abrogation of the Anglo-Egyptian treaty last October. More than 800 "undesirables" have been arrested and deported from the Canal Zone since last Monday and this has been reflected in the almost complete absence of "incidents" during the week.

The British have relaxed the searching of persons at road-blocks and are allowing five times the number of oil tankers to move in and out of Suez each day.

In Ismailia, the Zone's main "terror town", unarmed Egyptian Police rounded up nearly 70 terrorists.

Yesterday, after a number of requests from Ismailia's Sub-Governor, Aly Helmy Bey, the British military authorities gave permission for 12 Egyptian Police to be armed again.

It was recognized that a complete clean-out of Ismailia's Arab quarter, where terrorists were known to be hiding, could not be accomplished by Police unable to defend themselves against sudden, desperate attacks.

BIGGER ROLE

With regard to the forthcoming talks, observers expect that Egypt would be given a much larger role than originally allotted under the four Western Powers' proposals for a Middle East Command.

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King Was Overworked Says Church Leader

London, Feb. 10.

A high Anglican Church leader said tonight that the Britons overworked King George VI until the Monarch's death. He asked his fellow countrymen to spare their new Queen from so much pressure.

Dr. A. C. Don, Dean of Westminster Abbey, praised the late King's devotion to duty, adding that "the public have taken advantage of these qualities."

The Dean's statement emphasised suggestions in some sections of the British Press that overwork had hastened the King's death.

Dr. Don preached tonight at the Abbey only a few yards from Westminster Hall where the King's body will lie in state. He declared that both the King and Queen have been overworked in recent years. Then referring to young Queen Elizabeth II, he said: "Let us beware that we do not demand too much of her."

NO REAL PRIVACY

"Living as they do in a blaze of publicity which deprives them of any chance of real privacy, expected as they are to be on their best form on every possible occasion, the Royal Family have of late been subjected to a strain which most of us would have found intolerable."

Newspapers are calling for a sharp pruning of "outdated ceremonial and superfluous official functions" and suggesting that "the burden of Monarchy is becoming too great." The relentless pressure of work and ceremony which helped undermine King George's health must now be eased for the new Queen," the Sunday Pictorial said.—Associated Press.

MILLIONS PRAY

London, Feb. 10.

Subjects of the late King George VI joined by the millions in prayer today from the overflowing Westminster Abbey to the bush country of North Australia, for the departed monarch and the new Queen.

On the first Sunday after the King's death, great crowds stood outside or packed within the great churches of the land—Westminster Abbey, St. Paul's Cathedral, the Church of St. Giles in Edinburgh, and St. Martin-in-the-Fields in London, whose services were televised.

Across the snow-covered grounds at Sandringham, the Queen, with her mother and sister, walked to the little parish church on the grounds to attend a short service beside the body of the late King.

Hundreds of persons were unable to gain entrance to Westminster Abbey while more than 1,000 worshippers gathered in the great church.—United Press.

Tragic Day For Camp

New York, Feb. 10.

Seven men were killed and 19 others were injured in a catalogue of accidents at Camp Doha today.

During extensive winter manoeuvres three paratroopers were killed when a twin-engine Army transport plane crashed at the take-off. Twelve people were injured.

Another paratrooper was killed in a practice jump and two others were injured in faulty jumps.

Three more deaths occurred when a train struck an Army lorry at a crossing. Five were injured in this accident.—Reuter.

REDS LAY AMBUSH

Malaya Operation Takes New Turn

Singapore, Feb. 10.

A British ground detachment moving in to help a paratroop force clean up a jungle Communist centre near the Thai border ran into a Red ambush on Sunday. The ground force reported itself held up by Communist fire and a flood at a river crossing five miles from the paratroops.

The Communists fled from their isolated village when 37 paratroopers dropped from the skies on Saturday. The paratroop forces encountered no resistance at the village, the name of which was withheld for security reasons. Two other group detachments are moving toward it also. The main aim was to "stave off a reported propaganda move by the Reds—to declare a Communist state of Malaya."

Sunday's message from the jungle clearing said the paratroops got a friendly reception from the villagers who emerged from jungle hiding places after being assured the British were aiming only for Communists.

RAF dakotas dropped ammunition to the force held up by the Communists fire at the river. An RAF helicopter windmilled down into the clearing and picked up a paratrooper injured when his parachute got tangled in a tree in Saturday's drop.

A dispatch from the landing scene Sunday said that because of unpredictable air currents only four paratroopers landed in the drop zone—a rice paddy 250 by 400 yards in size. Six others managed to avoid the trees, but all the other 47 fell into them and had to reach the group by rope. Some of them stuck in branches ten feet from the ground.—Associated Press.

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A Voice From The Road

New York, Feb. 10. A patent has been issued for a device that causes highway surfaces to "speak up" when a motorist heads into danger, the New York Journal of Commerce reported.

The system works through sound tracks set into the road surface in such a way that a car making contact with them will cause actual word reproduction.

Such words as "danger" or "caution" are currently contemplated, said the newspaper, but it added: "A quiet drive in the country will be a thing of the past if the advertising agency boys ever get hold of the patent."—Reuter.

DISPUTED ISSUE SETTLED

Lisbon, Feb. 10. Informed American sources said that the go-ahead has been given for construction of Allied airfields in France and French Morocco, long a bottleneck in Western Europe's air defense.

The United States, which is paying the lion's share for airfield construction, has been holding back on the French portion of the programme because of a complicated and pyramidal system of French taxes amounting to an estimated 22 per cent of all construction costs.

An informant said that while no hard and fast agreement with France has been reached, sufficient assurances have been given that the airfield construction is now progressing. This remark presumably was based on the informal agreement with France.

General Eisenhower has said that he wants 21 more airfields in France and French Morocco. Informed military sources here said the final goal is probably about this number.

There has been sharp criticism in the U.S. Congress of the French taxation system which led the U.S. to delay airfield construction. The U.S. was being forced to pay the same taxes as private French builders, even though French national defence has benefited directly by the American expenditures.—Associated Press.

Tunis, Feb. 10. Calm reigned throughout Tunisia today. Not a single incident was reported.

In Tunis, theatres, cinemas and cafes were filled with the usual Sunday crowds.—France-Press.

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FIREWORKS EXPECTED IN PARIS DEBATE ON THE EUROPEAN ARMY

Paris, Feb. 10.

The debate on the European Army will open in the French National Assembly tomorrow. The debate is due to last through six sessions and at present it is too early to envisage what agreed text the majority groups will arrive at.

It is also difficult to say whether the Assembly's decision will facilitate or limit the action of the French Government during the conference of the Atlantic Council in Lisbon.

Recent reports by the Foreign Minister, Robert Schuman, and by M. Georges Bidault, National Defence Minister, to the Foreign Affairs and National Defence Committees of the Assembly have met with considerable criticism.

In the coming debate strong criticism is to be expected from the former Radical Socialist Premier, M. Edouard Daladier, who considers that the rebirth of the German Army runs the risk of endangering peace.

He thinks that Russia would oppose such a revival of German militarism by force.

M. Daladier maintains that the military vacuum in Europe should be filled first by the rebirth of the French Army and that, towards this end, the war in Indo-China should be ended in order to allow recall to Europe of French regular army officers and soldiers who are now fighting there.

GAULLIST CRITICISM

General Billotte and M. Philippe Barres will submit the criticism of the De Gaullists who are against a denationalization of the French Army.

The De Gaullists in any case want a European federation to be created before speaking of a European army.

The former Premier, Rene Pleven, creator of the European Army plan, is understood to consider that France should receive additional assurances from her Atlantic partners in exchange for concessions which she will make.

He suggests that Britain and the United States should act as guarantors of the future European defence, thereby even of one of the participating States withdrawing its forces from the European Army in order to constitute a national army.

This reservation evidently envisages the possibility of Germany considering the European army only as a stage in the reorganisation of her contingents to form a national army.

M. Jules Moch, who was Defence Minister in the Plevin Government, is very reserved concerning the alterations which have been made to the draft of the European army against the extension of the national contingents originally proposed and which have been raised from battalion to "combat team" level.—France-Press.

LISBON DISCUSSIONS

Lisbon, Feb. 10. General Eisenhower's Chief of Staff, General Gruenther, flew here from Paris tonight with General John H. H. Shale, Commander of SHAPE Land Forces, and Air Chief Marshal Saunders, General Eisenhower's Air Deputy, for Staff meetings between the 12 NATO nations.

The Chiefs of Staff are to assess the risks involved in slowing up long-term plans for Western defence.

General Gruenther said that General Eisenhower would not be coming to Lisbon. He told reporters that he was pleased with the progress made since the November meeting in Rome.

"What we want now is a German contribution," he added. He was confident that SHAPE could work with the European defence community.

The three officers are to take part in some of the meetings of the Military Committee which begin tomorrow.

SERIOUS EFFECT
The Committee is to study proposals made by the Executive Bureau of the Temporary Committee (the so-called "Three Wise Men" body).

This Executive Bureau, under the United States Mutual Security chief, Mr. Averell Har-

man, recommended to governments last December that the programme for the three years until 1954 should be spread over a longer period.

The original programme accepted by the NATO Council was described as the minimum military requirement to meet a threat from the East.

Mr. Harman and his colleagues decided that it could not be achieved without seriously damaging the economy of member nations, it was understood.—Reuter.

BUTLERS IN EMBASSIES IMMUNE

London, Feb. 10. British domestic servants employed in Foreign Embassies in London—some butlers to maids—enjoy the same personal diplomatic immunity from various processes of the law as Ambassadors.

A judicial committee set up to consider diplomatic immunity generally recommended that this below-stairs privilege should cease.

The Foreign Office should refuse to agree to their employment unless they do not enjoy immunity, says the report.

The report recalls the fact that consular servants owe their special exemption to the Diplomatic Privileges Act of 1708, which is still in force.

It followed on the arrest of the Russian Ambassador on civil process. The Czar was extremely angry, and it appears that the Act was passed in the hope that it would appease his anger.

Britain's Queens Live Longer

London, Feb. 10.

Britain's Royal women seem to have a better chance than their husbands of covering the traditional life span of 70 years.

Throughout Britain's history only five kings lived into the 70s. Only one, George III (1738-1820), reached the 80s.

But King George VI, for whom Billingsgate mourns, was the only king since William III who died before reaching 60. William was 52 when he died in 1702; George was 58.

Only 12 kings lived longer than their wives but the wives of 20 monarchs have out-lived their husbands.

Philip II of Spain was the only Consort in history to out-live his wife. Queen Mary died in 1558; he died in 1598.—Reuter.

NOVEL BOAT TESTED

Manila, Feb. 10.

The Philippine armed forces are testing an air-propelled boat for use in swamp operations against the Communist-led Huk.

Designed for use in the shallow, reedy waters of swamps—long a favourite hiding place of the dissidents—the boat can operate in water less than a foot deep.

The shallow draft, six-passenger craft is 15 feet 6 inches long with a five-foot beam. The boat's air propeller is powered by the engine from a Piper Cub aeroplane.—United Press.

Snags In Arms Aid Contracts

SHARP SPLIT IN WASHINGTON

New York, Feb. 10.

A New York Times correspondent reported from Washington today that the Mutual Security Administration and the Army were split sharply about how to award contracts overseas for goods manufactured under the foreign aid programme.

The issue is whether contracts should go to the lowest bidder—regardless of whether a plant is worked by Communist trade unionists—or to factories where there is no Communist influence.

The security agency, which is responsible for spending over \$7,000 million to strengthen the West, maintains that contracts should not be awarded to factories in which the trade unions are led by Communists.

The Army, which handles much of the actual buying of goods overseas, argues that contracts must be awarded to the lowest bidder.

The correspondent said that the conflict had not yet produced any serious difficulties since the off-shore (overseas) procurement projects are just now getting under way.

"It is nevertheless a disagreement that will have to be settled before contracts are awarded in quantity," the correspondent reported.

The Mutual Security Administration was understood to have issued a directive that makes clear that foreign aid contracts should not be given to plants or industries in which the trade unions are Communist-led.

"In the case of France this could become quite a problem, the authorities acknowledged, in view of the fact that an estimated 50 per cent of the labour unions are Communist-dominated," the correspondent added.—Reuter.

CONFERENCE IN MOSCOW

Berlin, Feb. 10.

A Soviet-backed international economic conference to open in Moscow on April 13, will be attended by more than 400 delegates from all over the world, the East Berlin newspaper Die Wirtschafst told.

The conference would work out suggestions which though not obligatory, "should be acceptable to all governments."

Its main purpose would be to improve the economic relations between the Soviet group of nations and other countries of the world.

Delegates from 20 countries met at Copenhagen recently for preparatory talks on the conference. They included people from Britain, France, East Germany, Belgium, India and Pakistan.—Reuter.

Air Minister's Mission

New York, Feb. 10.

The French Air Minister, Pierre Monel, today left New York by plane on his return trip to France after having conferred in Washington with the American Air Force Secretary, Mr. Thomas H. Dyer.

Mr. Monel's return to answer reporters' questions on the results of his mission had said this, conversations with Mr. Dyer had been very satisfactory.—France-Press.

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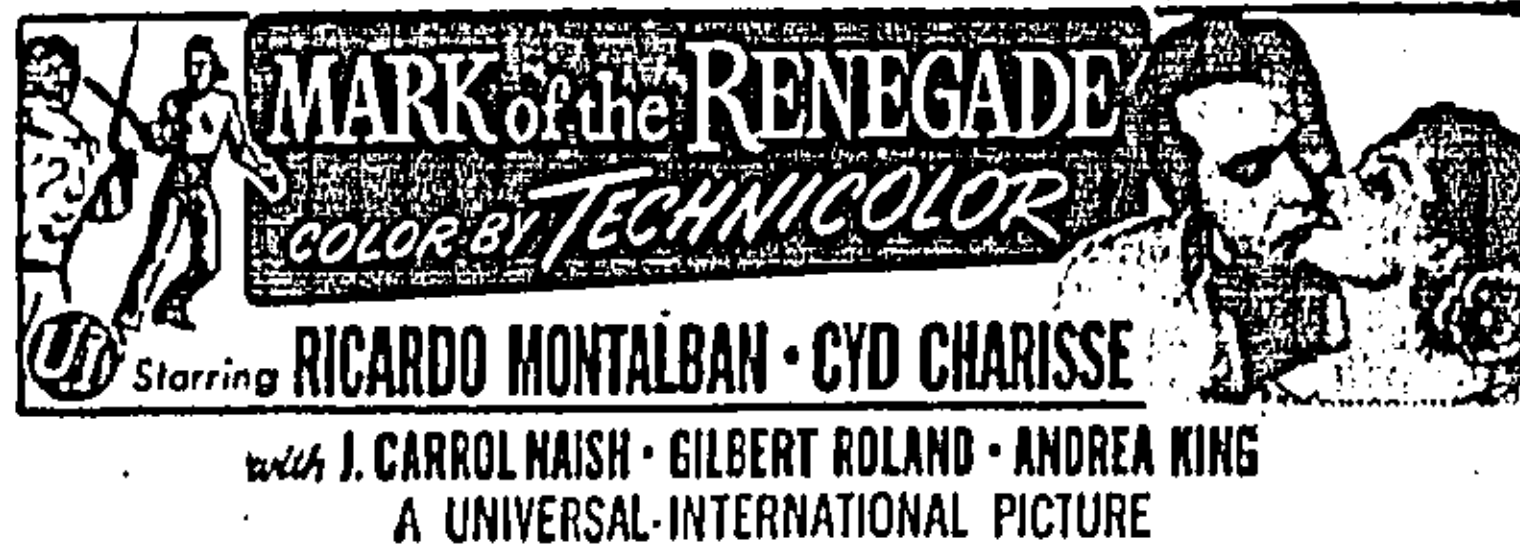
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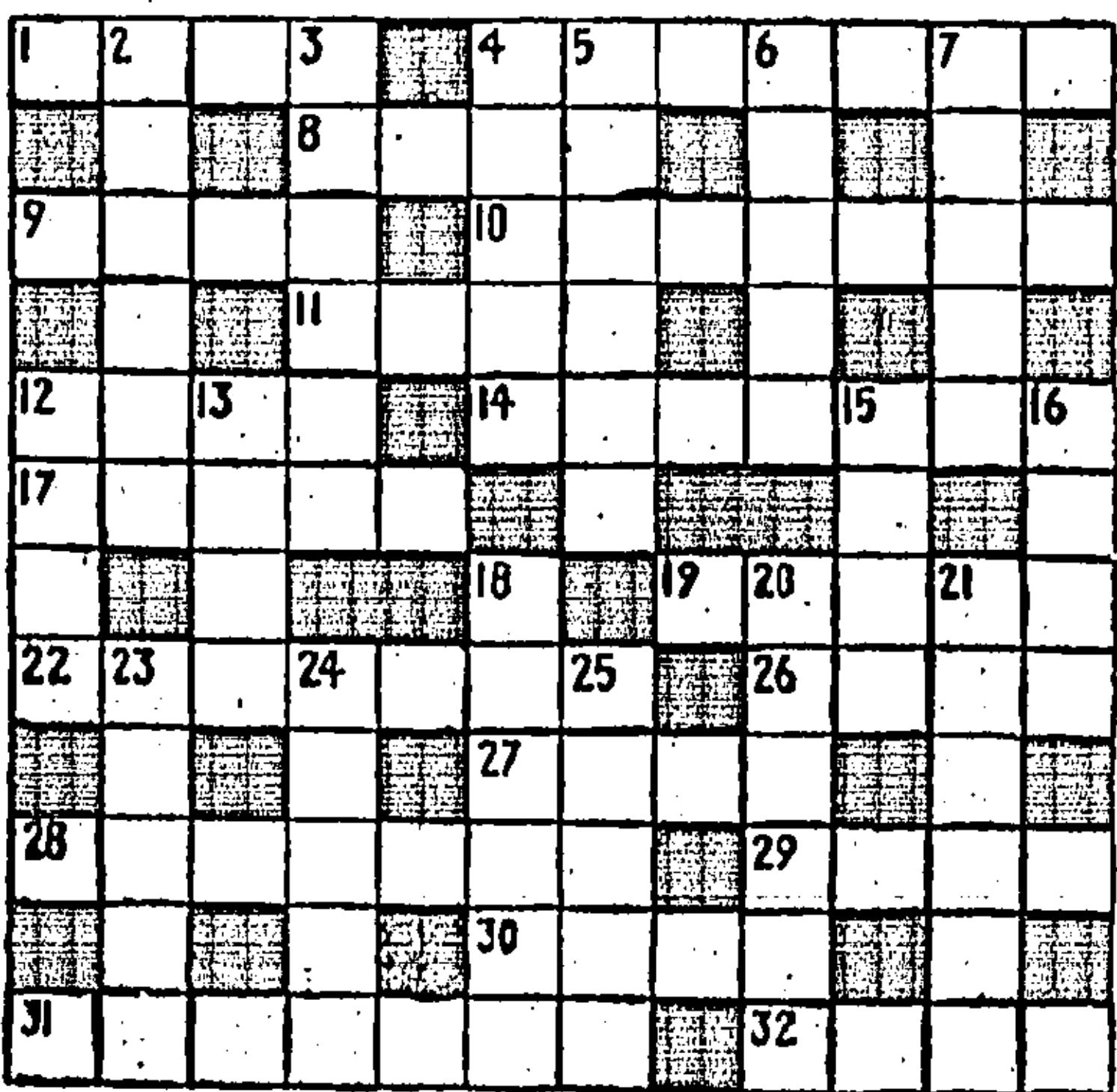
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12 Person who falls behind (7).
14 Smart (4).
15 Stopper (4).
16 Twist out (7).
17 Presented itself (5).
19 Child (5).
20 Worried (4).
22 Male deer (4).
23 Solemn promises (4).
28 Dog (7).
29 Egress (4).
30 Bring up (4).
31 Devises (7).
32 Lake (4).
- DOWN:**
2 Bird (8).
3 Supplies (8).
4 Substantial (5).
5 Calm (5).
6 Tense (5).
7 Miscalculation (5).
9 Drop (4).
11 Unusual (4).
12 Go back to (6).
13 Part (4).
14 Young animal (4).
15 Part (4).
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18 Go back to (6).
19 Over (6).
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21 Mature (5).
22 Colour (5).
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SATURDAY'S CROSSWORD. — Across: 1 Stream, 5 Adopt, 8 Carve, 9 Rejoice, 10 Emmet, 11 Stone, 12 Eerie, 13 Giant, 14 Lament, 15 Scatter, 16 Thorn, 17 Peel, 18 Abode, 19 Brave, 20 Leech, 21 Enter, 22 Annot, 23 Slight, 24 Down, 25 Sergeant, 26 Response, 27 Aces, 28 Martial, 29 Avenge, 30 Deceit, 31 Green, 32 Uttering, 33 Twilight, 34 Lament, 35 Meddles, 36 Craven, 37 Hieron, 38 Earl.

Righting A Kayak



Cheeks puffed out as he holds his breath, Ron Leedham comes up dripping as he demonstrates the proper way to right a kayak after "capsizing" at the YMCA Baths, Russell Street, London. The kayak is a canoe made of sealskins stretched on a frame and is used by the Eskimos.—Reuterphoto.

Italy Looks On Trieste As A Stumbling Block

Rome, Feb. 10

Italy will balk at any move to extend the Atlantic Pact to Marshal Tito's Yugoslavia as long as the Italo-Yugoslav dispute over Trieste remains unsettled, authoritative quarters said today.

The issue was raised here following statements by the Greek Deputy Premier, Sophocles Venizelos, and Turkish Premier Adnan Menderes—whose countries now have been voted into the Atlantic Pact—expressing the hope that Yugoslavia could be brought into the Western defence system.

Figurines From The Sea

New York, Feb. 10.

A wooden crate containing Czech pottery figurines salvaged from the Flying Enterprise after she went down a month ago was delivered here this week in a camp but almost intact condition.

It is believed that the crate was washed ashore when the ship sank in the English Channel.—Reuter.

East Mark Weakens In Berlin

Berlin, Feb. 10.

The Russian Zone East Mark weakened on the West Berlin market today as a result of an East German plan to replace its old currency gradually with new bills.

Exchange banks in West Berlin quoted the East Mark at 4.80 to one West Mark, a weakening of 20 Pfennigs. The West Mark is quoted in New York at 23.8 cents. Bankers said there may be other changes in the rate when they report for business on Monday but emphasized they would not know in which direction until the public demand is known.

The East zone has announced it is retiring its currency but that the move is not a currency reform. Finance officials of the Soviet zone government indicated it would be a slow process and probably would not get underway before next month.

West Berliners hurried to exchange banks on Saturday morning to get rid of their East currency after the report from the East was published. The banks were swamped with East money and finally decided to limit the exchange per person to a maximum of 10 Marks.

This Russian zone has about 2.5 billion Marks in circulation. Hundreds of thousands of East Marks are hoarded in the West. Berlin exchange banks almost daily.—Associated Press.

Philippines Agrees To War Claim Settlement On Basis Of Tokyo Plan

New Declaration Of Policy

Manila, Feb. 10.

The Philippine Government has agreed, in effect, to the settlement of the reparations claims against Japan upon the principle of "services and skills" to be rendered by the Japanese.

A statement of the Philippine Foreign Office issued today did not, however, bar some payment in cash for certain specific damages.

The Philippine declaration of acceptance of the principle of the settlement was contingent upon the Japanese accepting the full amount of more than eight billion dollars claimed by the island republic.

It was not considered likely that Japan would ultimately agree to payment of the full amount claimed by the Philippines but the acceptance of the principle of payment through the utilization of Japanese industrial potential was considered here to have brought the two countries much closer towards an agreement to be reached at formal reparations talks to be held later.

In a new declaration of policy issued today, the Foreign Office, which said that future negotiations were subject to "adjustments", virtually conceded that it was willing to settle a large part, if not all, of its claims against Japan under the provisions of Article 14 of the Japanese peace treaty which provides that reparations payments shall be based upon the ability of the Japanese to maintain their economy.

The full text of the Philippines' new statement of its position on reparations follows:

"The Secretary of Foreign Affairs received Minister Juichi Tsuchida in his suite at the Bay View Hotel late on Sunday afternoon in order to afford the chief of the Japanese delegation an opportunity to ask for any clarifications in regards to the latest Philippine proposal which was handed to them earlier.

THREE POINTS

"At the opening of the negotiations on January 28, 1952, the Philippine delegation presented the following three-point proposal:

"First—That the Japanese Government recognize the claims of the Philippine Government in the amount of 16,159,247,559 pesos which is based on damages officially recorded by the Philippines Government.

"Second—That the Japanese Government settle the reparations claims of the Philippine Government within a period of 10, but not more than 15 years.

"Third—That the Japanese Government make partial or interim reparations immediately available to the Philippine Government even before the conclusion of a reparations agreement and the ratification of the peace treaty by the Philippine Government.

"To this proposal the Japanese delegation, after a lapse of a week, informed the Philippine negotiators that in their opinion the obligations under the peace treaty were not to take effect until after its ratification by the governments concerned and that this seems to be the view of other signatories to the treaty.

In view of this opinion, the Japanese delegation took the view that the demand for interim reparations would not be in consonance with the provisions of the peace treaty. However, Mr. Tsuchida informed the Secretary that in order to tangibly show the sincerity and good faith of the Japanese Government, it would be prepared to immediately undertake

Warning Of Atomic Raid Consequences

Washington, Feb. 10.

A concentrated enemy atomic bomb attack on United States cities would leave 7,000,000 persons homeless and might break the spirit of the people unless regular activities were restored quickly, the Federal Civil Defense Administration warned today.

Backing estimates on Britain's experiences during World War II, officials said at least 10,000,000 persons would need immediate welfare services following such an attack.

At a meeting here with representatives of nine welfare organizations, civil defense officials outlined a programme to provide emergency services for the survivors of an attack.

So far, no funds have been appropriated for such services, but civil defense has asked Congress for \$21,000,000 in the 1953 budget for emergency welfare supplies.—United Press.

JAPANESE PLAN

"The Japanese delegation likewise made it known that the plan of the Japanese Government is to first ascertain the claims for reparations of all the claimant countries before it could determine the amount due each of them, taking into account Japan's capacity to pay.

"In view of this development, the Philippine delegation, in close consultation with the President, the 15-man Advisory Committee and leaders of Congress, proceeded to carefully study the Japanese views and all aspects of the problems involved and endeavored to reconcile the positions taken by both delegations.

"The new Philippine proposal includes the following features: "First—Japan shall recognize its obligation to pay reparations for the damage, loss and suffering caused by it to the Philippines whose present territory was occupied and damaged by Japanese forces during the war.

"Second—The services which the Japanese people shall render to the Philippines shall be such as will aid the Philippines in production, salvaging and other work related to reconstruction and rehabilitation.

TOTAL CLAIM

"Third—Japan shall recognize that between December 8, 1941 and September 2, 1945, extensive damage to life and property was inflicted on the Philippines by Japanese forces and takes note that the Philippines has officially estimated the extent of the said damage to be 16,159,247,559 pesos. This amount of damage which represents the total claim of the Philippines falls under the following categories:

- (1) Physical loss of properties, including Philippine currency and metal reserves, as follows:
 - (a) Highways and public works.
 - (b) Agriculture.
 - (c) National, provincial, and municipal institutions and enterprises.
 - (d) Public, college and university libraries.
 - (e) Government and private homes and buildings.
 - (f) Government corporations.
 - (g) Air and land transportation equipment and installations.

"It will be understood that the final reparations agreement between the two governments shall be concluded and signed in Manila.

"Fourth—Any matter of reparations not covered in any agreement entered into by the two governments, shall be governed by the pertinent provisions of the peace treaty.

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(8) Industrial and commercial property.

SHIPPING LOSSES

(9) Direct war damage in losses of gold, silver and currency, including those confiscated from private parties and banks.

(10) Ocean and coastwise shipping.

(11) Other damage and loss not included in the foregoing list.

"B. Commandeered goods and services by the Japanese Government and armed forces, 'C. Cost of human lives.

"As a gesture of its desire to fulfill its reparations obligations to the Philippines, Japan shall undertake, after the ratification of the peace treaty, to perform such services in accordance with Article Two, as may be agreed upon.

"The value of the services to be rendered on the basis of any subsequent agreement on production, salvaging and other work which may be concluded immediately upon the ratification of the peace treaty, shall be provisionally charged against the amount of 16,159,247,559 pesos, which represents 16 per cent of the total value of the Philippine claim.

WITHIN A YEAR

"It is understood that the said amount of 1,674,821,759 pesos as well as the nature and form of such services and the period within which the initial settlement shall be made will be subject to adjustment between the two governments.

"The balance of the Philippine claim and the period within which such amount shall be settled shall be determined by mutual agreement between the Japanese and Philippine governments within one year after the taking into effect of the peace treaty and after Japan shall have determined the claims of other claimant countries.

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Bartender Vs. Butcher

Miranda de Ebro, Spain, Feb. 10.

"Teased about the lady's bicycle, the bartender Prudente Montemayor, 55, challenged Lorenzo Ordoñez, 48-year-old butcher, to a race.

Lorenzo drove his horse and rider and Prudente rode his lady's bicycle over a 20-mile course.

Five thousand people lined the route to watch the bartender v. butcher stakes and many spectators were placed in beds.

It was the bartender's lucky day. He won easily and those who had backed him helped celebrate in his bar.—Reuter.

Progress Slow On Germany

GLOOMY REPORT FROM BONN

Bonn, Feb. 10.

The three Western High Commissioners will meet on Monday to draft a discouraging report on their slow progress in negotiating a "peace contract" with West Germany.

The report, described by Allied sources as "gloomy and full of disappointments" will go to the British, American and French Foreign Ministers when they meet in London next Saturday.

The peace contract is designed to give West Germany greater self-government in return for a contribution of German troops in the proposed six-nation European army. The High Commissioners and Germany's Chancellor Konrad Adenauer have been bargaining over its terms since last September without much headway.

Future negotiations are bound to be affected by the list of demands laid down by the West German Parliament last Friday when it voted by a slim margin to help defend the West.

In return for military support, parliament wants an end to Allied occupation, full sovereignty for Germany, and equal voice in Western strategic councils and release of many German war criminals.

STRIKE THREAT
Allied observers believe the Parliamentary demands have strengthened Dr. Adenauer's position in the negotiations. But whether the Allies are ready to make such concessions to secure German co-operation remains to be seen.

Leaders of 900,000 organized Bavarian workers tonight condemned Dr. Adenauer's proposal to conscript German soldiers for Western defence and threatened a general strike as "a last measure" to save it off.

An emergency conference in Munich of the Bavarian section of the West German Trade Union Federation called on the Federation to "block a German defence contribution."

120 delegates overrode an appeal from the Federation Chairman, Christian Fette, to support Dr. Adenauer's defence policy.—Associated Press.

Successful Operation In Tonkin

Saigon, Feb. 10.

The French General Staff today announced a successful three-day operation against Communist-led Vietnamese rebels south of the highway linking Hanoi with the port of Haiphong.

French headquarters said French troops wiped out some 100 Vietnamese troops and captured an important quantity of arms and supplies some 25 to 20 miles north of the highway.

The Vietnamese had set up strongpoints there as bases for attacks on French road traffic. Meanwhile in Hanoi, French officers estimated the Vietminh had lost some 45,000 men in battle along the Northern Indo-China front in the last two months, including some 15,000 killed.—Associated Press.

Delegation Off To Teheran

London, Feb. 10.

A four-man World Bank delegation seeking to get Iran's oil supply flowing again left London by air tonight for Teheran.

Mr. R. L. Gorter, Vice-President of the bank, told newsmen: "Our aim is to try to get the oil flowing again in the hope that other vital international agreements may be reached. We are acting with the agreement of both parties concerned in the dispute."—Associated Press.

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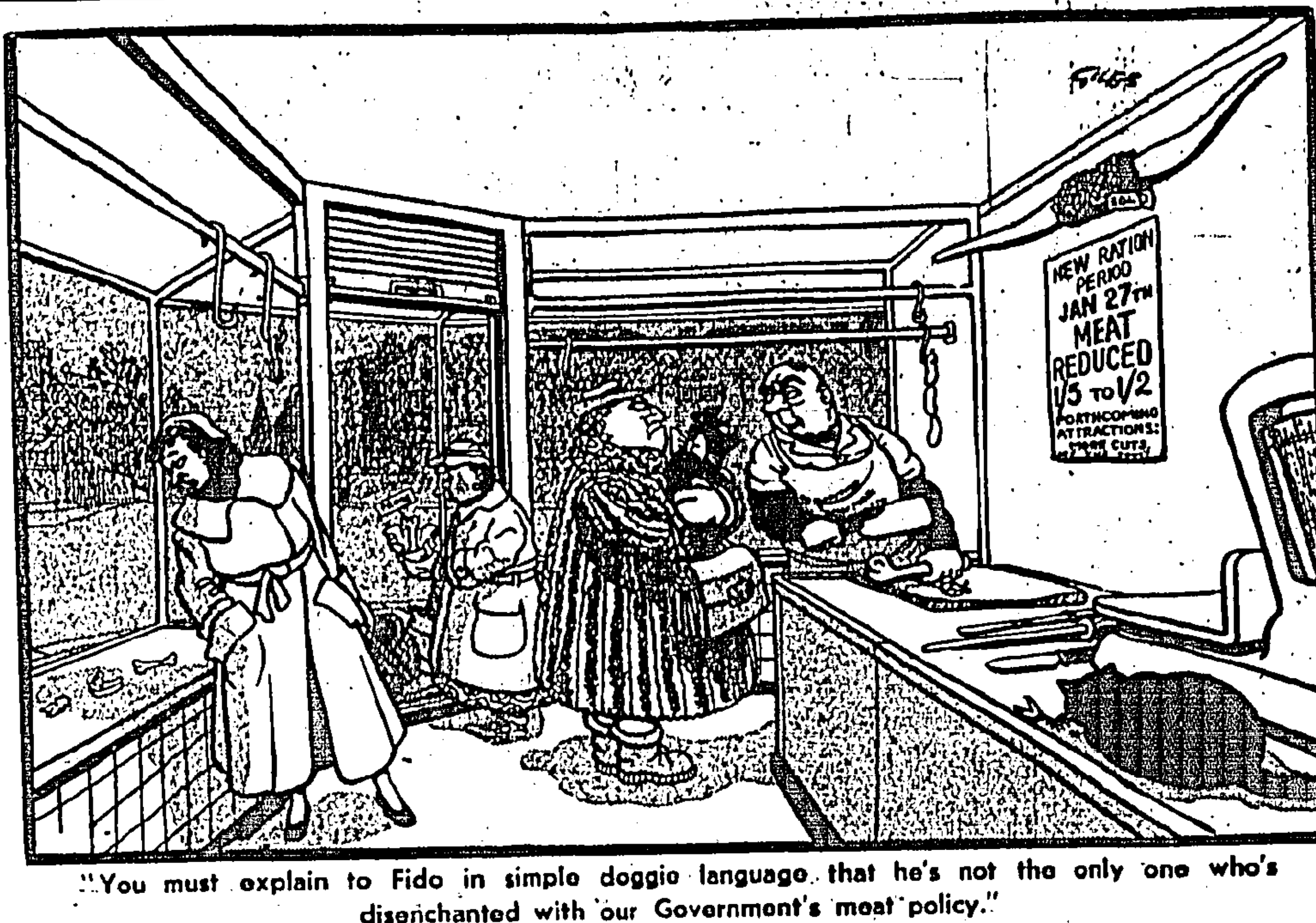
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The Alexanders Will Bring Back A Bit Of Canada To "Nightingales"

By PATRICK NICHOLSON

Ottawa. VISCOUNT ALEXANDER of Tunis buckled on his skis for his last afternoon on Ottawa's winter playground and said: "It is said that my family is leaving Canada."

Six months ago this most popular of Canada's 17 British Governors - General had planned to stay on here at least until his 19-year-old daughter Rose had finished her Canadian university course. Then he would retire to the life of a country gentleman among the 12 wooded acres around "Nightingales," his new English home at Chalfont St Giles, 23 miles north-west of London.

"I can't think of any job I could do in Britain in peacetime," he had said. "But if war came, I might be called back."

Life Of Splendour

Now he has altered his plans and allowed himself to be called back from viceregal splendour to serve his country as Defence Minister at home.

Until the middle of February he will remain in Rideau Hall, his official residence here. It is run by a staff more numerous than its 28 principal rooms. The 85 acres of private parkland round it are dotted with private houses for his equerries, quarters for his aides, Mounties' guardrooms, greenhouses, garages, offices, a cricket pavilion and an artist's studio.

The Hall and grounds are kept up by the Canadian Government, which also supplies the blaze of electric lighting and the fuel necessary for keeping the interior at a summer-like 70 degrees while winter's 50 degrees of frost freeze the private skating and curling rinks outside.

High Standard

His Excellency was one of the highest-paid Britons in the world. The Governor-General's tax-free salary of £17,500 and travelling and entertainment allowance of £18,000 a year pay his house-keeping bills. But these are heavy from the glittering balls and receptions he gives and from entertainment of Royalty, Presidents, Prime Ministers, American generals and other V.I.P.s who constantly fill the eight guest-rooms of the Commonwealth's most lavish private hotel.

One-third of the 200,000 miles Lord Alexander has travelled since he came to this vast country has been in his private railway coaches—at a cost of eight shillings a mile.

Another £15,000 is granted to pay his large office staff, while £9,000 covers such incidental expenses as telephones and telegrams (£780 last year) and office supplies (£2,000).

Under present British taxation scales it would need the income of a multi-millionaire to provide this Arabian Nights standard of living costing £100,000 a year without taxes and rates.

In spite of its nine bedrooms, four bathrooms and three reception rooms, "Nightingales" will now seem as modest as his Cabinet Minister's salary of £4,000 a year (less tax) which will hardly exceed the £10 a day he will always draw as a Field Marshal.

But some Canadian ideas have made his English house a nearly perfect home. For a start, there is a radiator in every room. "I'm afraid I couldn't live in a house without central heating, after six years in Canada," Lady Alexander confesses.

"I often help with the dish-washing myself," boasts Lord Alexander. "But it'd be a bore to have to do it every day," he adds—not having become a completely Canadian husband.

Should he take that risk? Or should he remove the injured eye immediately and be certain of preventing total blindness?

When faced with this terrible dilemma, surgeons often take away the damaged eye.

Now there is real hope that in the near future this disabling and disfiguring step may no longer be necessary.

With a few drops of a colourless liquid, specialists may be able to protect a sound eye so securely that they will be able to give prolonged treatment to an injured eye with little risk.

The liquid is the new rheumatism drug cortisone. A surgeon who has tried it on several patients at a London hospital has reported hopeful results.

He found that a few drops of cortisone greatly reduced the severe swelling and inflammation with which the human eye responds to injury. The nerves from the two eyes mingle before they reach the

Electric mixers, an orange squeezer and quick-heating pans have made the kitchen a dream in labour-saving. The scullery has been converted into a Canadian breakfast "nook" with pink and green walls, to save miles of unnecessary walking with plates and dishes each year.

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Bright and Gay

The curtains and chair coverings are all bright, gay Canadian fabrics. Most of the bedrooms were painted by the Viscount himself and his family during their moving-in holiday last summer.

"It wasn't much of a holiday," admits "Nanny" Turner, who has been with the Alexanders for 42 years. "Everyone worked from dawn till dusk."

With their special mixture of dignity and the democratic touch, the popular Alexanders

have become thoroughly Canadianised. People here are as fond of them as all the Alexanders are of the tension-free outdoor life in Canada.

The bronzed, athletic Field Marshal and his two sons are enthusiastic fishermen. The big game and bird shooting have been his favourite sport and helped to fill the viceregal larder.

His Excellency's most striking impression of Canada is the rapid development during his time here of its industries and abundant natural resources. He is sure that a great future is in store for Canada. If he were a young man, he says, he would choose to make his life here.

"My children have grown up as young Canadians and are very unhappy at the thought of leaving," he admits.

"I don't sound English, do I?" 12-year-old Brian Alexander anxiously asked at his Ottawa school.

At Harrow sixteen-year-old Shane has been kidded out of his Canadian accent. But both boys want to go on to McGill University.

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TWO: It does not relieve long-standing eye defects.

THREE: It is not yet certain that the drug will generally prevent "sympathetic inflammation."

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Beverly Baxter

A RACE FOR ENCHANTMENT

NASSAU

JAMAICA and Nassau are both set like jewels in the Caribbean, separated by a mere two hours' flight and properly described by their publicists as ENCHANTMENT.

Yet there are sharp psychological and physical differences between them. Nassau, capital of the Bahamas, has limited beach accommodation and no industries save that of serving the tourist.

There are neither death duties nor income tax, and there is even casino (not officially recognised) which is exclusively for visitors and is well managed.

JAMAICA is an altogether different proposition. It has deep rivers, rolling hills, abundant farm lands, glittering fields of sugar cane, and fruit trees everywhere. Income tax and death duties are levied in due season, and the bathing beaches are abundant and glorious.

Jamaica has a popularly elected parliament which is not very efficient, and some people say there is corruption in the island. Parliament at Nassau is unpopularly elected and is both efficient and honest.

There is no money to be made in Nassau except by the hotels, shops and by trading in real estate. It exists for wealthy tourists from America, Britain, and Canada. That is at once the appeal of Nassau—and its problem. But enchanted islands do not worry unduly about the future.

"Project money"—that is, money from other countries to build up Nassau but neglected Jamaica. Now it is flowing to abundance, and I am delighted to discover that so much of it is from Britain.

Sir Harold Mitchell, who was vice-chairman of the Conservative Party and went down to defeat in the 1945 by-election, was consoled with a baronetcy, and then discovered Jamaica.

He has a fine 18th-century house which he restored, and 5,000 acres divided into sugar, cocoa, and cattle. It is said that he paid £73,000 for the estate, and that he could now sell it for double—which must take some of the sting out of his electoral defeat.

At 'Harmony'

THE Marquis of Northampton is another Englishman who has augmented his wealth in Jamaica. His house, which, like Sir Harold's, is east of Montego Bay, has the lovely name of "Harmony," which is not disturbed even by the moaning of 1,200 head of cattle, for

they are Aberdeen Angus and the best herd on the island. Lord Northampton can room with his wife over 400 acres and contemplate not only the fine view but the fact that they are making 10 percent on their investment, and that its value is going up all the time.

Even Iver Novello's comparatively modest place at Montego Bay has been sold to Sir Bernard Decker at slightly less than £19,000, although the original price, only two years ago, was £10,000. Noel Coward used to test that Iver had to stand on the dining-room table to glimpse the sea.

Catching up

RECENTLY the American Government advanced more than £7,000,000 of project money for the development of bauxite. A new million-dollar hotel is being rushed to completion in Montego Bay, following another hotel in which the purchasers paid £8,000 an acre for the site.

Captain Edward Molynaux is building a house here and nightly surveys it in his tropical dinner suit. New comes that Gladys Cooper has also purchased some land.

In fact, Jamaica is catching up in the tourist race despite the long start of Nassau, and there is a kingling excitement this year as if a treasure had been discovered. Perhaps it has.

Then is Jamaica to become the Blessed Island, the land of sun, sea, and the joy of the traveller, and the pride of the natives?

Illiteracy and ill-health are deep shadows on Jamaica life. These people are children of the sun and are not averse to life and are not over-fond of work. They make wonderful servants and they have a childlike cheerfulness which causes one to wonder if it is worth while to civilise them until they lose the gift of such laughter.

MANY native lads would rather loaf in their home-made canoes and dive for shillings than sit at a factory bench. The girls would rather carry baskets of fruit on their heads than labour in a cotton mill. But in the hills and in the small settlements their lives are often so primitive that any hope of progress seems impossible.

The political parties and the trade unions are spreading unrest and in Jamaica storms have a habit of coming up swiftly. But perhaps the inflow of project money and the increase of tourist traffic will postpone for a considerable time the question: "What is the future for my daughter and my son?"

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MR PROBE FACES AN INQUIRY

From R. M. MacCOLL

WASHINGTON. THE man President Truman directed to probe Government departments and cut out corruption now faces an investigation into the working of his own department.

He is Attorney-General Howard McGrath. He and his office have been under attack since tax scandals, involving some of his staff, were disclosed last month.

The attacks were bitter, very bitter. Congressman John Byrnes, a Republican, even called for McGrath's replacement on the ground that he was not, or cannot, provide proper direction of the Justice Department in dealing with cases of alleged fraud.

But President Truman would have none of it. He said bluntly he did not intend to remove McGrath.

Then Congressmen stepped in. Seven members of the House Judiciary Committee were appointed to investigate the administration of the Attorney-General's office and the Justice Department.

COLONEL Paul Tibbets, who dropped the first atom bomb on Hiroshima, is in Hollywood coaching Robert Taylor, who will impersonate him in a film about the historic raid. When

Taylor asked the colonel how he felt when the bomb went away, after six long months of living with the secret, Tibbets replied: "It was a great relief."

HIS EYES flashing furiously, John L. Lewis, chief of the United Mineworkers, speaks in a Senate committee investigating safety conditions in the mines. He denounces the "shameful slaughter," and is granted by the overawed Senators the unusual privilege of questioning other witnesses.

Later, Lewis died. In the mines, he thunderously explained, "and you will pardon me, I am sure, if I have indicated by my attitude that I want to prevent any more from dying."

BROAD SMILES at the Justice Department in Washington, where a 14-year battle to get Hollywood's mammoth movie-makers out of the theatre business (as part of the anti-trust laws of America) ends in victory.

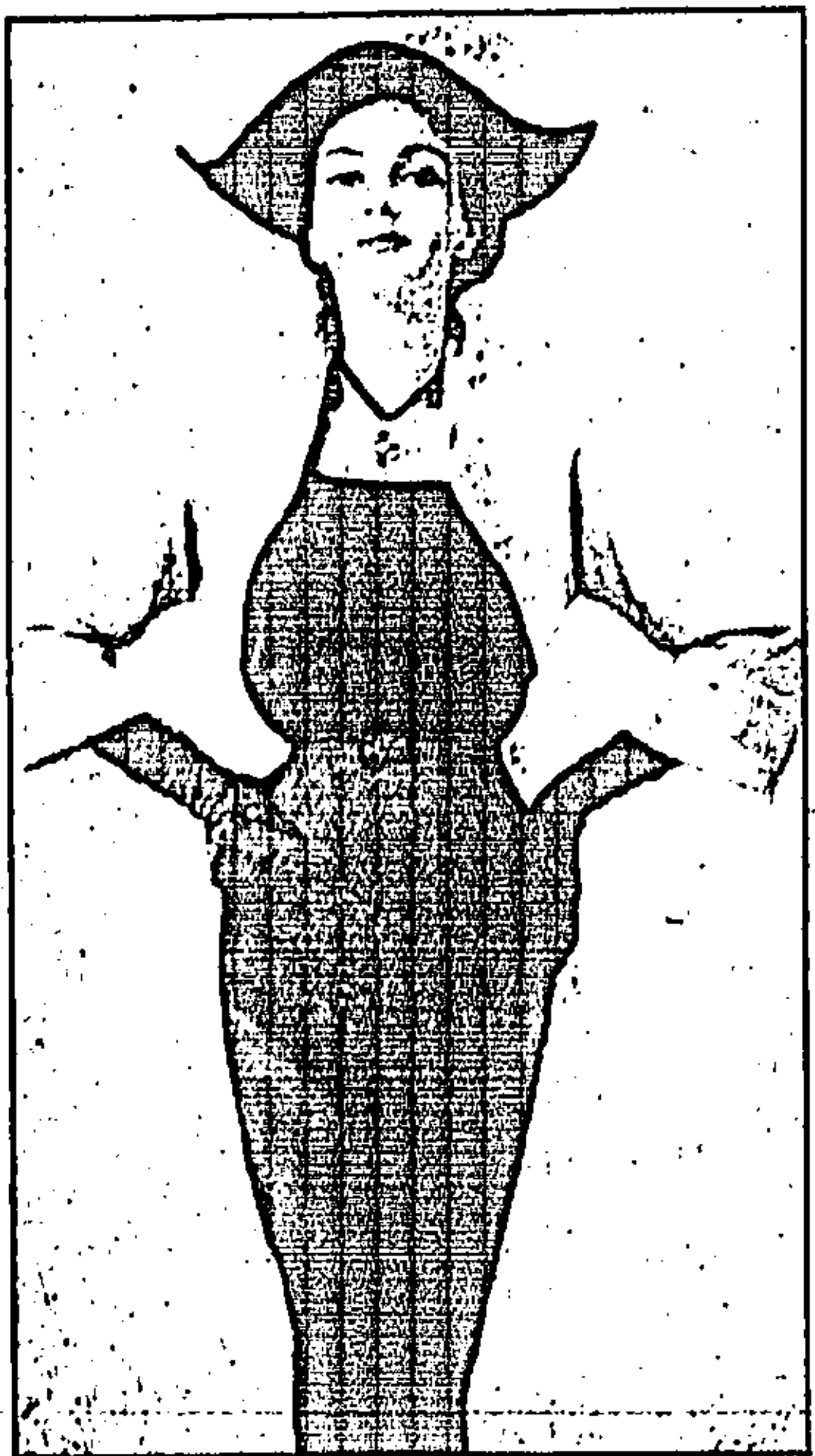
Approved is a plan whereby Loews Incorporated will be split into two separate companies, one making the films and the other owning the theatres.

Similar splits have already been approved for R.K.O., Paramount, Warners, and Twentieth Century-Fox.

WOMANSENSE



Spring Outfit



Marcus has designed this spring outfit. The tailored dress is in black barthelemy, with low square neck line, stand-up collar and cluster of pleats at back of skirt. The bolero is in maize straw. Newline black felt hat is by Madge Chard. Dress approximately 23 guineas and bolero 8 guineas.

Home-sewers Can Achieve That 'Professional' Look

By ELEANOR ROSS

EXAMINE an expensive garment, and even if one hasn't much of an eye for such details, the fine finishing is bound to make an impression. A properly finished garment does right by its fabric, cut and styling and it also wears much longer since seams are not likely to unravel, and fastenings are perfectly secured.

Many home sewers, we are told, are far too prone to run up a garment, and if it looks nice and fits reasonably well, to let it go at that. But a little extra attention will do much to enhance the looks and wear of the clothes and give them a professional dressmaker touch.

If the pattern is for a sleeveless dress, as so many are now, and as the popular jumper-type for autumn will be, give the finish particular attention. For a flat, neat armhole, finish it with a true bias.

Fold lengthwise thread diagonally to crosswise thread and

cut bias two inches wide. Baste and as the popular summer-strips so thread of fabric is parallel. Press seam open and trim extending corners.

Apply binding, right sides together, stitching to shape of armhole, then machine-stitch. Clip seam to width of one-quarter inch, then turn to wrong side and hem to machine stitching on inside.

Taping Seams

One of the most effective ways of keeping a garment in shape is taping the seams, a detail that invariably appears in very expensive apparel.

Waistlines should always be taped, and armholes, yokes and necklines frequently need taping. This is especially so if the fabric is loosely woven. Circular-skirted models should have back seams taped, otherwise, no matter how carefully fitted and detailed, the back seems may sag.

Machine-stitch the tape or sew it on—in small—running stitches to open seam on both sides of seamline. If both sides of seam are pressed in one direction, then one row of stitching, close to seamline, should be sufficient.

SCARF TRICK



By ALICE ALDEN

THERE'S a wealth of news in a scarf, especially one of those long, narrow jobs. Cleverly arranged it can give a fresh and different look to a basic dress, turning it into something quite striking. Borrowed from the French is this imported scarf and arrangement. The aqua satin, attached to the white satin, colour of an otherwise starkly simple dress, is smartly placed on the bodice to cross in back and then circle the waist ending in hem-length panels.

Household Hints

Hang ties over rack or line at the centre of the tie, and shape gently with fingers, paying particular attention to creases along the edge. Press before placing on the tie. Cut a piece of the tie, slip it inside the tie, and steam-press, first on the wrong side, then the right side, using a cheesecloth on top. Remove cardboard and press along the edges.

If you have trouble with gloves wearing out, possibly you are handling them too roughly. When you put your gloves on, fit them slowly, the four fingers first, then the thumb. Smooth down each finger, then the palm, but don't clutch the edge and pull. When you take your gloves off, pull them gently back over the hand to the second joint of the fingers, then slide them off and smooth back into shape.

Zipper Fastening

On fine-finished dresses, the zipper fastening is usually hand-sewn to make a secure but almost invisible placket opening. Follow the directions on the slide fastener package, and those included with the pattern. Instead of machine-stitching the zipper to the garment, though, sew one row of small running stitches as close to the metal as possible.

For such fabrics as silk, rayon and fine cottons, sew a second row one-eighth of an inch from the first row. For bulky fabrics such as velvet, wool, velveteen, make it one-sixteenth of an inch from the first row.

Pile fabrics have a tendency to slip under the presser foot even though basted. Sewing the zipper as suggested makes it possible to hold the fabric securely while you're sewing.

For Dressy Or Casual Occasions



Violet, woolen topper.

ILLUSTRATED (at right) is a useful coat—a brief affair that can be worn nicely with either day or evening things. It is fashioned of black faille in a wool and rayon blend, has braided edges and is crisply tailored. It would go nicely with a daytime dress when the occasion calls for something more impressive than the usual topper, and it is perfect with either straight or full-skirted evening dresses, which make a coat of this kind a good choice for the traveller.

THE well-chosen short coat can play a wide role in any wardrobe. It can look dressy or casual, depending on the wearer's choice of accessories or the clothes over which it is worn. With a slim skirt or dress, a coat such as shown here (at left) gives a nice costume feeling, and with a black velvet skirt and a simple or dressy blouse it would create an effective ensemble. Violet, woolen topper with collar and cuffs of black velvet tells the story of this one worn over a simple black wool dress.



For daytime and evening.

JACOBY ON BRIDGE

Best Opening Lead Is Only Defence

By OSWALD JACOBY

THE hand shown today stands or falls on the opening lead. Against the best opening lead, the game cannot be made; with any other lead, it is clear sailing. At one table, of a recent team match, West came up with the killing lead. He opened a trump. What could South do? He won in his hand with the eight of spades, entered dummy with the ace of hearts, and returned a diamond. East properly played low, and South won with the king of diamonds. The next diamond went to West's queen, and West led a second trump.

This left only one trump in dummy for the purpose of ruffing. Declarer could win one diamond (the king), and could ruff one in dummy, but he still had to lose two tricks in the suit. Two diamonds and the two hearts were enough to beat him. The other room of the team match, the bidding was different: South West North East 1 Spade Pass 2 Spades Pass 3 Spades Pass 4 Spades Pass 5 Spades Pass 6 Spades Pass 7 Spades Pass 8 Spades Pass 9 Spades Pass 10 Spades Pass 11 Spades Pass 12 Spades Pass 13 Spades Pass 14 Spades Pass 15 Spades Pass 16 Spades Pass 17 Spades Pass 18 Spades Pass 19 Spades Pass 20 Spades Pass 21 Spades Pass 22 Spades Pass 23 Spades Pass 24 Spades Pass 25 Spades Pass 26 Spades Pass 27 Spades Pass 28 Spades Pass 29 Spades Pass 30 Spades Pass 31 Spades Pass 32 Spades Pass 33 Spades Pass 34 Spades Pass 35 Spades Pass 36 Spades Pass 37 Spades Pass 38 Spades Pass 39 Spades Pass 40 Spades Pass 41 Spades Pass 42 Spades Pass 43 Spades Pass 44 Spades Pass 45 Spades Pass 46 Spades Pass 47 Spades Pass 48 Spades Pass 49 Spades Pass 50 Spades Pass 51 Spades Pass 52 Spades Pass 53 Spades Pass 54 Spades Pass 55 Spades Pass 56 Spades Pass 57 Spades Pass 58 Spades Pass 59 Spades Pass 60 Spades Pass 61 Spades Pass 62 Spades 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World Table Tennis Championships

ALL FIVE MEMBERS OF JAPANESE TEAM BECOME WORLD TITLE-HOLDERS

Bombay, Feb. 10.

Japan's newly crowned World Table Tennis Champions relaxed tonight in victory celebration.

H. Kido, team manager, paid tribute to the players, everyone of whom had contributed to the victories. He said he thought the successes were the greatest achievement by any single nation.

H. Satoh, World Singles Champion, paid compliment to Hungary's F. Koczian for the "tough fight" he gave him. Commenting on his now famous sponge rubber racket, Satoh said he learned to use it only six months ago. He added he had never thought it would help him to win the most coveted table tennis title.

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Colony Billiards And Snooker Championships

The Colony Open Billiards and Snooker Championships under the auspices of the newly formed Hongkong Amateur Billiards and Snooker Association commences tomorrow.

All games are to be played on a "neutral" table. Matches will start at 10 p.m. sharp.

Any player who is unable to play off his match on the nominated date must inform the Hon. Secretary, Mr. J. Medina, Telephone 27559, or by letter to G.P.O. Box 2642 at least 48 hours before the stipulated date. Failure to do so will result in a walk-over to the opposing players.

The following is the programme:

Feb. 12
A. M. Ozerio v G. J. Soares
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 14
J. M. Xavier v T. Mills
(Cosmo Club).

Feb. 15
Philip Yang v S. A. dos Remedios
(South China A.A.).

Feb. 16
Lau Hung Chiu v M. A. Grimpe
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 19
C. L. Chu v Y. C. Hui
(South China).

Feb. 20
Ed. de Souza v F. Langmead
(Cosmo Club).

Feb. 21
W. H. Pritchard v H. K. Chung
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 22
A. P. Pereira v Wong Fung Sun
(Kowloon Cricket Club).

Feb. 23
G. G. Harries v G. F. Santos
(Kowloon Cricket Club).

Feb. 24
J. C. Condon v J. E. Medina
(Cosmo Club).

Feb. 25
T. E. Rodriguez v George H. Choy
(Eastern A.A.).

Feb. 26
M. J. Noronha v Henry Wong
(South China A.A.).

Feb. 27
C. M. Ma v F. Marshall
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 28
C. C. Lam v L. J. Haydon
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 29
R. H. S. Miller v Chau Fook
(Club Lusitano).

Feb. 30
Winner of J. M. Xavier, T. Mills v A. M. Ozerio, G. J. Soares
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F. C. Bradshaw v D. M. Rodriguez
(Cosmo Club).

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F. P. da Silva v S. P. Pong
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The Japanese girls, Miss Nishimura and Miss Nishihara, confessed that they entertained numerous fears at the beginning of the championship tournament. After getting off to a good start and winning two titles they now felt that those fears were unjustified.

T. Hayashi said the biggest lesson he learned was the western style of defence which he determined to practise and perfect when he gets back home.

Actually Japan finished up winner of four world titles and annexed the Corbillion Cup award for the world's best woman players. Every member of the five-man Japanese squad to-night became a world title holder. — United Press.

1955 CHAMPIONSHIPS

Bombay, Feb. 10.

Japan may stage the World Table Tennis Championships in 1955, according to T. D. Ramanujan, General Secretary of the Indian Table Tennis Federation.

Ramanujan revealed at the Congress of the International Table Tennis Federation today that Japan has expressed a keen desire to stage the Championships.

Japan has been asked to submit a proposal. Meanwhile, the Congress decided that the Championships will be held at Bucharest in the first fortnight of March next year, with London being given the first option to hold the meet in 1954.

JAPAN'S RESOLUTION

Japan moved a resolution that the Congress standardise the table tennis ball with rubber face. The Congress felt that it is not necessary to standardise the racket, but consented to circulate the Japanese resolution.

N. Fujii said it was the first time he has seen the Western orthodox grip which he felt made for grace and beauty in stroke production.

Coach D. Daimon said the Japanese found the Western style of play higher than expected, especially that exemplified by Rumania's World Champion, Miss Angelica Roseanu, Hungary's Gizi Farkas and Austria's Trude Pritzl.

He said the Japanese girls have learned much watching top-ranking Western women in action.

The consensus of the Japanese players was that England's Richard Bergmann is easily Europe's outstanding player. They rated Hungary's F. Sido and J. Koczian next in that order. The Japanese said they were helped immensely by the feeling of the Indian people toward them. — United Press.

ASIAN FEDERATION

Bombay, Feb. 9.

A Table Tennis Federation of Asia "to consolidate and develop table tennis in Asia" was formally set up by the delegates of 12 Asian nations attending the world championships meeting here.

The new Federation, while being distinct from the International Table Tennis Federation, will assist the international body in promoting the game in the East.

Mr. T. D. Ramanujan (India) convenor of today's meeting of Asian delegates said that any national organisation seeking affiliation with the new Federation would be asked to nominate two members to a Central Council.

He added that the Singapore delegate had offered on behalf of his Association to promote the first Asian table tennis championships.

The following Committee was elected for the new Federation: President — Maharaja Pratap Singh, the Gaekwar of Baroda (former ruler of Baroda); Vice-presidents — Saburo Kiyose (Japan) and the Hon. Pirzada Abdul Sattar (Pakistan); Chung Wing-kwong (Hongkong) and Choo Kow-low (Singapore); General Secretary — T. D. Ramanujan (India); Hon. Treasurer — Pearson Surita (India).

Eleven Asian territories have been admitted to full membership of the International Federation: Aden, Afghanistan, Burma, Cambodia, Hongkong, Indonesia, Japan, the Lebanon, Pakistan, the Philippines and Turkey. — Reuter.

Home Rugger Results

London, Feb. 9.

The following are the results of Rugby League Cup, first round, first leg matches played today:

Batley 9, Bramley 9; Bradford Northern 6, Doncaster 5; Castleford 4, Swinton 5; Cardiff 7, Desbury 7; Huddersfield 8, Halifax 13; Hull 8, Oldham 8; Leeds 14, Hull Kingston Rovers 14; Leigh 11, Keighley 4; Rochdale Hornets 7, Featherstone Rovers 8; Salford 13, Hunslet 6; St. Helens 6, Belle Vue Rangers 5; Wakefield Trinity 18, Wigan 13; Warrington 28, Liverpool City 4; Whitehaven 18, Rylands Recreation Lancashire 0; Widnes 5, Barrow 5; York 7, Workington Town 18.

The Rugby Union International between England and Ireland was postponed today because of the King's death.

It has been re-arranged for March 29 at Twickenham. — Reuter.

Cricket In Korea

Korea, Feb. 10.

Members of Australia's 77th Squadron opened the cricket season at the week-end with a scratch match played on an impromptu pitch bristling with hazards.

Sleeping tents provided the boundaries while ice paddles, salt trenches and guy ropes kept fieldsmen alert.

The Australians hope to put down a concrete practice pitch and erect tents after the thaw. The site they have chosen is at present a frozen area, being used as a skating rink. — Reuter.

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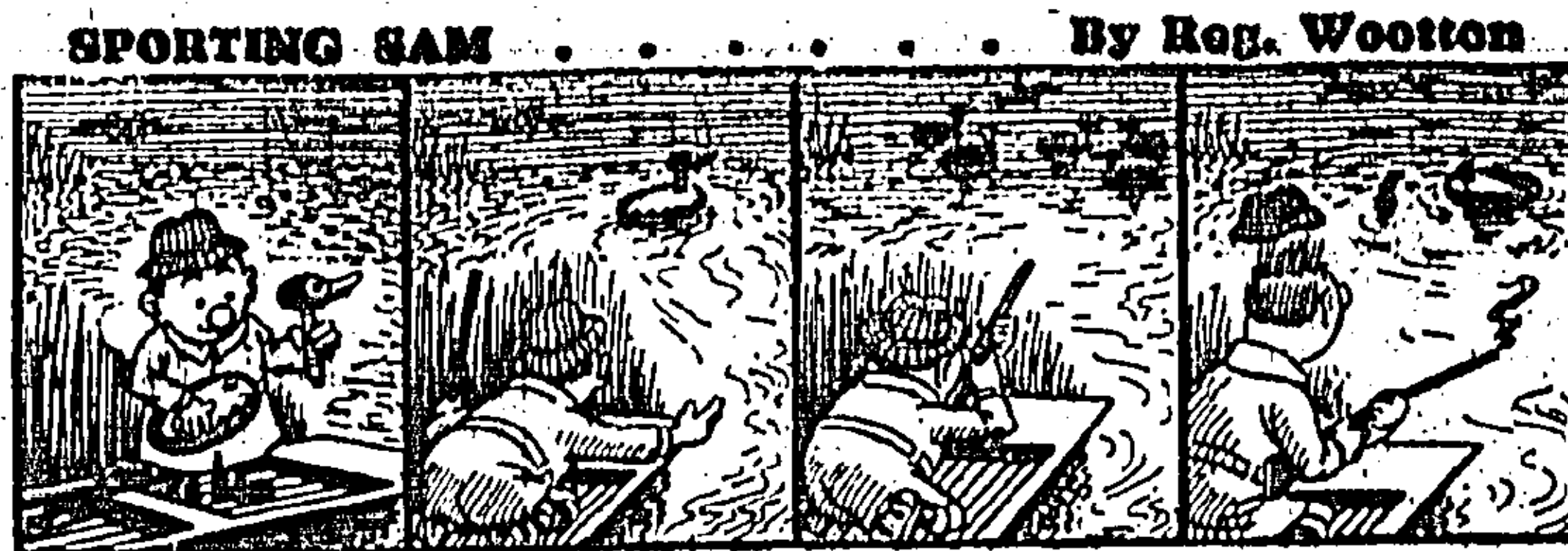
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Ki Ming Rated 7 Lbs More Than The Next Best In The Lincolnshire Handicap

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Ki Ming, last year's Two Thousand Guineas winner, has not been given the top weight in the Lincolnshire Handicap, to be run on March 26, but has been rated seven pounds better than the next best in the race, Lord Rosebery's Fastnet Rock.

It was to be expected that the first classic entry for the race since the war would be given the maximum nine stone, seven pounds, but the Chinese restaurant owner, Mr. Lay On's Guineas winner has perhaps been a little harshly treated compared with one or two of those just below him in the weights.

He would be hard put to it to give seven pounds to Fastnet Rock, a winner of the Victoria Cup, and Malkas Boy, who finished third to him in the Guineas, one and a half lengths behind, is in with an advantage of 10 pounds.

The trainer, Jack Jarvis, must have a great chance of scoring his fourth Lincolnshire success, besides Fastnet Rock, who is reasonably weighted, he has Donore and Benbow, both Lord Rosebery's, and Lord Milford's Llanstephan to represent him.

Donore, who won the Wokingham Stakes at Royal Ascot with eight stone, five pounds, has been set only two pounds more in the Lincoln, and he is a horse who is usually at his best in the spring.

Benbow, who has rather disappointed the high hopes once placed in him, has 7 stone 13 pounds. Llanstephan is nicely in with one pound less.

BEST PROSPECT

Fastnet Rock, fourth in the Cambridgehire Handicap last season, is popularly considered the best prospect of the quarter, but the claims of Llanstephan cannot be ignored.

In September last, as a three-year-old, he failed by only a head to concede 18 pounds to the fast seven-year-old Coquet Light over the mile course at Lincoln, with last year's Lincolnshire winner, Barnes Park, five lengths behind.

Barnes Park was at a disadvantage of nine pounds in the weights. This was an excellent showing by Lord Milford's colt on the course on which the big race will be run.

Many punters will be waiting for a pointer to which of the four Mr. Jarvis thinks the best, and will need to search no further for their wager in the race.

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NOT ENOUGH SNOW FOR OLYMPIC SKI RUN AT NOREFJELL

Oslo, Norway, Feb. 10.

American bobsledders today predicted "many casualties" in the four-man bobsled races of the Olympic Games unless something is done to a dangerous curve that already has wrecked three sleds in practice.

Olympic skiers also were alarmed as the Feb. 14 opening date neared with the downhill and giant-slam courses showing dangerous bare spots through a too-thin cover of snow.

It was a great day, however, for Olympic skiers. Hjalmar Andersen, Norway's ace and prime Olympic favorite, shattered his own world record in a tune-up 10,000 meters race.

Skating in a race which pitted Norway against "the rest of the world," Andersen recorded a sensational time of 18 minutes 22.6 seconds, beating by 18.8 seconds the world record he himself set only two weeks ago.

Kees Broekman of Holland, finished second in 10:56.3, third best time ever recorded for the event.

The Norwegians, incidentally, won the meet, scoring 107.5 points against 154.5 compiled by the combined talent of the United States, Finland, Japan, Holland and Sweden.

TOO DANGEROUS

The skaters raced in sunny weather which would be perfect for the record crowds expected for the Olympics, but the skiers were praying for snow. Unless new snow falls at Norefjell, the downhill and slalom ski races are almost certain to be slow and dangerous for Olympic races.

Several skiers already have been hurt in practice spills. The Norwegians have 300 soldiers carrying snow to cover rocky bare spots and officials insisted the races definitely will be staged at Norefjell as scheduled whatever the weather does. It's too late to move to another place, officials said.

An old international dispute may come up before the International Olympic Committee's Executive Committee here on Monday.

GERMAN HEADACHE

Like most Olympic headaches in recent years it involves Communists. The Olympic Committee has been trying for a year to get Russian-occupied East Germany to join non-Communist West Germany in an all-German team for the Olympics.

They failed for the Winter Olympics in Copenhagen last Friday when work out a truce for the summer games, East Germany balked again.

Avery Brundage of Chicago, International Vice-President, said the East German action will be brought up before the Executive Committee meeting and the meeting of the full IOC on Tuesday.

Also at these meetings Brundage will present the case of refugee athletes from Iron Curtain countries who at present are unable to get into Olympic competition. He said frankly, however, he saw little hope for a solution to the problem. — Associated Press.

TREACHEROUS

Norefjell, Norway, Feb. 10. Skiers trying to train for the Olympic Games risked their legs on a giant slalom course made rough and treacherous by lack of snow here today.

The shortage of snow forced the closing of the downhill course entirely, and some Olympic entrants moved out of here in search of snow to carry on their training.

With the Olympic opening only four days away, some skiers wondered how they could ever get the racing courses in shape without a new fall of snow.

Olympic officials insisted, however, that the races will be

staged here as scheduled. "If I can get enough help from the military, I can definitely get these courses ready in time," said Jøist Jensen, race leader of the Olympic Organising Committee.

He said it is too late to try to move the downhill and giant slalom races to some other place where there is more snow.

PACKING SNOW

Jensen had 300 men working yesterday and today packing snow on the courses and finally got the giant slalom run in a shape for some practice runs this afternoon.

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SPECIAL SALE of violins, violas, cellos, basses and woodwind instruments, drums, piano accordions, electronic organs, 7.811111 cymbals, recorders, automatic changers and players, portable gramophones, record albums, record blanks and recording wire. Gramophone records, musician busts, concertinas and accessories. Classical, popular and orchestral music publications. Call at King's Music Co., 5 Chiu Lung Street, Tel. 30439.

NOTICE

THE HONG KONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

Notice To Shareholders

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Fifty-ninth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Company's Office, 4th Floor, P. & O. Building, on Thursday, the 6th day of March 1952, at 11 a.m. for the purpose of receiving and considering the Reports of the Directors and of the Auditors and the Profit and Loss Account and the Balance Sheet for the year ended 31st December 1951, and for the election of Directors and the appointment of Auditors.

The Register of Transfers of the Company will be closed from Monday, the 25th of February to Thursday, the 6th of March 1952, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & COMPANY, LIMITED.
Agents.

Hongkong 8th Feb., 1952.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF DECEASED VICTOR NEUMANN late of No. 14 Stubbs Road "Shui Fai Terrace" (Sui No. 2) in the Colony of Hong Kong. Sub-Manager of E. Oll & Co., Ltd., French Bank Building Victoria in the Colony of Hong Kong, deceased.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Court has by virtue of Section 35 (1) of the Probate and Administration Ordinance (Cap. 10) made an Order limiting the time for creditors and others to send in their claims against the above estate to the 25th day of February, 1952.

All creditors and others are accordingly required to send in their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 1st day of February, 1952

HASTINGS & COMPANY,

Solicitors for the Administrator

of the estate of the above named deceased,

Maria Neumann,

Hong Kong.

ANNOUNCEMENT

The Annual General Meeting of the Hongkong Society for the Protection of Children has been postponed until further notice.

NOTICE

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

REDUCTION OF CHARGES FOR CURRENT

Charges for current will be reduced for all meters read on and after 1st April, 1952:—

LIGHTING	From	To
Monthly Account		
1 to 150 units	30 cents	20 cents
160 to 250 "	28.5 "	27.55 "
260 to 350 "	27 "	26.1 "
360 to 450 "	25.5 "	24.65 "
460 to 550 "	24 "	23.2 "
560 to 650 "	22.5 "	21.75 "
660 to 750 "	21 "	20.3 "
760 to 850 "	19.5 "	18.85 "
860 to 950 "	18 "	17.4 "
960 to 1,050 "	16.5 "	15.95 "
Over 1,050 "		

For The Hongkong Electric Co., Ltd.,

Gibb, Livingston & Co., Ltd.,

Agents.

Hong Kong, 8th February, 1952.

NOTICE

IN THE SUPREME COURT OF HONG KONG PROBATE JURISDICTION

IN THE GOODS OF ELISA ANGELINA DO ROZARIO late of 10, A. Avenue, Kowloon in the Colony of Hongkong, Housewife, deceased.

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All creditors and others are accordingly required to send in their claims to the undersigned on or before that date.

Dated the 4th day of February, 1952.

THE H.K. & SHANGHAI BANK,

Hongkong (Trustee) Ltd.,

Administrators of the above Estate,

Hong Kong.

SENSATIONAL SLIMMING

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Ladies and Gentlemen.

Have a healthy body. No drugs, just plain common sense reducing, as I have done. Your health instead of being impaired will thrive on losing excessive fat. Complete course \$30.00. Personal interview on further Beauty Culture, Grooming and Deportment \$15.00 extra. Box 34, "China Mail."

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

m/v "CHANGTE" arrived 8th Feb., 1952.

m/v "TAIYUAN" arrived 8th Feb., 1952.

Damaged cargo ex these vessels will be surveyed by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas at Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf Godoway 10.00 a.m. on Wednesday 13th February and Thursday, 14th February, 1952, and consignees representatives are requested to be present during survey.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE,

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Australia-oriental Line Ltd.

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PASSENGER/FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards	Leaves London	Arrives Hongkong
"CARTHAGE"	10th January	11th February
"CHUSAN"	22nd January	10th February
"CORFU"	7th February	10th March
"CANTON"	6th March	7th April

Via Southampton, Port Said, Aden, Bombay, Colombo, Penang & Singapore.

Homewards

Leaves Hongkong Due London

"CARTHAGE" 15th February 17th March

"CHUSAN" 23rd February 22nd March

"CORFU" 14th March 14th April

"CANTON" 11th April 12th May

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Penang, Colombo, Bombay, Aden & London.

FREIGHT SERVICE

Outwards

Due Hongkong From

"SHILLONG" 12th February London & Continent

"SOCOTRA" 17th February —

Homewards

Leaves Hongkong For

"BOUDAN" 15th February London & Continent

Accepting cargo for Singapore, Port Swettenham, Penang, Colombo, Aden, Genoa, Marseilles, London Hamburg, Antwerp & Rotterdam, with liberty to call at Bombay if inducement offers.

Tanks available for carriage of oil in Bulk.

Space for refrigerated cargo. Limited passenger accommodation.

BRITISH INDIA S.N. CO., LTD.

"SANGOLA" due 20th Feb. from Japan

sails 1st March for Calcutta, Hongkong, Penang & Singapore

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sails 25th Feb. for Chittagong via Singapore

(These vessels have refrigerated cargo space)

P. & O. B. I. JOINT SERVICE

"URLANA" due 13th Feb. from Karachi, Bombay, Colombo & Singapore

sails 14th Feb. for Japan

"OKILA" due 19th Feb. from Japan

sails 20th Feb. for Singapore, Colombo, Bombay & Karachi

EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN S.S. CO., LTD.

"NELLORE" sails 4th March for Port Moresby, Sydney & Melbourne

All vessels have liberty to call at any ports on or off the route & the route & sailing are subject to change or amendment with or without notice.

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MANDRAKE THE MAGICIAN

By Lee Falk and Phil Davis





INQUIRY OPENS INTO STRANDING OF "ANGELINA"

The stranding of the 556-ton British motor vessel *Angelina* (formerly the *Edith Moller*) on Chihpai Reef in the Gulf of Tongking, on the morning of December 30 last was recalled at a Marine Court of Inquiry held in the Marine Court this morning.

Scots Raise Dispute Over New Queen's Title

London, Feb. 10. Scottish nationalists insisted today that Britain's new Queen should be known as Elizabeth I because her famous namesake never ruled north of the border.

In the Royal Proclamations read in English towns and cities, the new Queen was designated Queen Elizabeth II. Officials in more than one Scottish burgh, however, proclaimed the Queen merely as Elizabeth.

Dr. C. Stewart Black, Scottish historian and Provost of Paisley, was one of the R. L. Hutchinson, Provost of Barhead, was another.

"The title as it stands is something that we in Scotland have had inflicted on us," said Mr. Hutchinson afterwards. "Elizabeth is the first Queen of that name that Scotland has had."

In Alva, the Rev. Dr. A. T. Drummond, after the proclamation of just "Elizabeth" by the local Provost, went even further in his prayer.

"Bless Elizabeth the First of Scotland and Second of England that her days may be long in the land," he prayed.

The argument of the Nationalists, who advocate greater measure of home rule for Scotland, is that the Queen's title should be "Elizabeth I of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland."

The 1707 treaty of union merged the two kingdoms of England and Scotland. James I, King of both countries, was known as James VI of Scotland—United James.

Witness said that steering compasses were compared at least once every watch and when courses were changed and on the taking of bearings.

He obtained a bearing as they approached Cape Kapi; the distance was about 3 1/2 miles. He then altered course by compass and by steering. He made no allowance for set off drift etc. because from his experience, after 23 consecutive voyages on this run, he found that the direction of the current in the Gulf of Tongking was not always with the wind. Because he was unable to rely on standard text books regarding currents and tides the master said "point-to-point" navigation. From Cape Kapi to Haiphong he always set a certain course, he added.

About 8.30 p.m., on December 29 he went below to write up his Night Order Book. It was fine and clear at the time.

For obtaining sums of \$93 and \$453.07 respectively from the Sanitary Department by false pretences that he was Mo Yui, a man entitled to receive the money, Mo Yui, 38, employee of the Sanitary Department, was sentenced to six months by Mr. Poon Yan-hoi at Central this morning.

Defendant pleaded guilty.

The *Angelina*, with a cargo of 240 tons of general merchandise, was on her way from Hongkong to Haiphong when she went aground in a thick fog. The ship was holed and with the propellers damaged she was subsequently abandoned. She was later towed by another British steamer, the *Kola*, to Haiphong where she underwent temporary repairs. The *Angelina* was later towed back to Hongkong and the master of the ship, Capt. C. L. V. Dury, confirmed the report that the ship was looted by pirates after she was abandoned.

The Court of Inquiry comprised Mr. T. B. Low, Marine Magistrate (President); Lt.-Cmdr. D. S. Cox, R.D. RN, Assistant King's Harbour Master; and Capt. H. J. Cairns, Assistant Marine Superintendent, of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co., Ltd. (Members).

Mr. R. F. G. Dennis appeared for the master of the *Angelina*, Capt. C. L. V. Dury.

Mr. P. J. Griffiths held a watching brief for the owners, master and crew of the British steamer *Kola*. The owners are Messrs. John Mannes and Co., Ltd.

The owners of the *Angelina*, the Tai Nam Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., were not legally represented nor were the charterers of the ship, the Shun Cheong Steam Navigation Co., Ltd.

Mr. R. C. Trall, Marine Officer, assisted the Court in charting the course of the vessel on maps.

MASTER'S EVIDENCE

Capt. C. L. V. Dury, master of the *Angelina* at the time of accident, said the ship left Hongkong at 2 p.m. on December 29, bound for Haiphong with a general cargo, amounting to 240 tons, comprising mostly cement paper bags. There were no passengers and the ship was in good seaworthy condition.

Nothing untoward happened after they left Hongkong and the ship's arrival at the eastern end of Hainan Straits. The Straits was very misty at the time.

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Soldiers Hold Motor Cycle Trials



Men of the Southern Command recently held motor cycle trials at Bulford, England, under extremely difficult weather conditions, which included icy roads. This picture shows a general view of the competitors engaged on a technical hazard, closely watched by an umpire.

NORTH SEA RESCUE DRAMA

London, Feb. 10.

The tug *Hendon*, escorted the listing 374-ton German motor vessel *Hans Hoth* into the Tyne today as two British Air Force planes took off to locate a lifeboat lost in fog while on a rescue mission to the distressed ship.

The lifeboat, the *Tynesider*, was launched at midday yesterday in bad weather at this North Sea port after the *Hans Hoth* ship had radioed for help. She reported that she was listing badly 54 miles east-northeast of here.

Later she radioed that her cargo had shifted and that she was listing more seriously. Punching her way through heavy seas, the lifeboat, closely followed by the tug, reached the *Hans Hoth* at 12.35 p.m. GMT today.

Though she planned to stand by the *Hans Hoth* until it was decided whether to abandon ship, the lifeboat left her charge at 2.30 p.m. GMT to return to base because she was running out of fuel.

This afternoon the *Tynesider* at sea for 30 hours, radioed that visibility was down to under one mile and that she did not know her position.

She was ordered to make for and hug the coast and to burn green flares to guide rescuers. The new *Biggin* lifeboat, five and a half miles from the Tyne, will take fuel oil to the *Tynesider* as soon as she is sighted, — Reuter.

BOAC Resumes Cairo Service

London, Feb. 10.

The British Overseas Airways Corporation resumed its services through Cairo today for the first time since the disturbances on January 20, in which Britons were killed and buildings burned.

BOAC plane called at Farouk Airport, one of the world's greatest airline traffic centres, on a flight from Nairobi to London. A plane which left London Airport tonight will call at Cairo tomorrow on its way to Nairobi.

BOAC services to the Middle East, the Far East and Australia have been stopping at Beirut in the Lebanon. — Reuter.

INTELLIGENCE TEST SOLUTION

No. 111 appears that the name to win four rubbers was Michael. The only one to win three was Michael. The only one to win two was Michael. The only one to win one was Michael. The only one to win none was Michael.

There are 64 possible results of six rubbers all equally likely. The only one to win all six is Michael. The only one to win five is Michael. The only one to win four is Michael. The only one to win three is Michael. The only one to win two is Michael. The only one to win one is Michael. The only one to win none is Michael.

London Express Service.

CHECK YOUR KNOWLEDGE

1. Queen Elizabeth I. 2. He ferried the boats across the River Six. 3. Gaelic. 4. The enemy possessed by a body by virtue of its motion. 5. Death Valley. 6. Phonograph.

Living Language

Why we say To show the white feather.

The phrase means to act with cowardice and has its origin in the old days of cock-fighting, which once held the public esteem that football does now. No white feather appeared in the plumage of a game-bird and if one were seen in a cock it indicated a cross-breed and therefore a likelihood that the bird would flee if badly worsted.

Artilleryman Bound Over In Theft Case

Gunner J. A. Bland, of 137 Java Barracks, R.A., was bound over in \$500 for one year by Mr. Hin-shing Lo at Central this morning when he pleaded guilty to a charge of larceny.

Defendant visited a woman, Wong Nui, at 30 Hennessy Road at 10.30 p.m. yesterday and took from her an alarm clock, a comb and two eggs. Chased, Bland was intercepted by a constable at Queen's Road East and arrested.

Bland told Mr. Lo that he took the articles when she refused to return \$7 which he gave to her earlier in the evening.

According to Bland's superior officer, he had an exemplary military record.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Film Critique

Sir—A small thing, perhaps, but don't you think the article by Sue Dawson on the current film "I Want You," in page 7 of last Wednesday's edition, lacks good taste in such a time as the present?

To avoid digging up the long-buried, unsavoury disputes as to who contributed most in men and arms in winning the last war, I have only this to say about Miss Dawson's statement that "America winning the last war being almost a classic theme for the films from that country. It stands to reason that America's sons departing to win the now one should be a fairly stalwart runner-up."

If Miss Dawson is suggesting that America's sons are not so good at winning the war in Korea (militarily speaking) for us, then she is pitifully ignorant of facts which are so clear that nobody ever troubled to argue over them.

Or maybe, Miss Dawson just can't think of any other striking introduction with which to start her article. Who knows?

READER.

Mail Notices

Latest times of posting at G.P.O. and at Kowloon Post Office—registered articles and parcels mailed close hour earlier than the ordinary mail times shown below:

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 11

By Air

Japan, 5 p.m., via B.O.A.C. Formosa, Okinawa, U.S.A., 5 p.m. N.W.A.C. 10 a.m., via P.A.L. Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m. C.P.A. 10 a.m., via C.A.T. Indo-China, (Tonkin only), 5 p.m. C.P.A.

By Surface

Macao, 12.30 p.m.; 6 p.m., as Tak Shing/Patnam.

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 12

By Air

Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 9 a.m., via C.P.A. Indo-China, France, North & West Africa, 10 a.m., Air France. Formosa, 10 a.m., C.A.T. Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Middle East, C.P.A. 10 a.m., B.O.A.C. Malaya, Ceylon, Pakistan, Middle East, Africa, British, Europe, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C.

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China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m. train via Canton.

Japan, 10 a.m., as Soochow.

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 13

By Air

Philippines, Guam, Hawaii, U.S.A., Canada, 8 a.m., via P.A.L. Formosa, Japan, 10 a.m., C.A.T. Siam, Burma, India, N. Borneo, 5 p.m., C.P.A. U.S.A., Canada, 2 p.m., P.A.A. Malaya, Indonesia, Australia, New Zealand, 5 p.m., C.P.A. Japan, Korea, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C. Formosa, 5 p.m., B.O.A.C. Airways.

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China, People's Republic, 8.30 a.m. train via Canton.

Formosa, 9 a.m., as Po Yang.

Malaya, India, N. Borneo, 5 a.m., as Tak Shing/Patnam.

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 14

By Air

Siam, Burma, India, Pakistan, Great Britain, Europe, 5 a.m., via B.O.A.C. 10 a.m., Air France. Philippines, N. Borneo, 5 p.m., C.P.A.

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HARDSHIP CLAIMS REJECTED BY SERVICE TRIBUNAL

Objections of three more men were heard before a Compulsory Service Tribunal at the Supreme Court this morning when they appeared to present their cases.

One of them, Charles Augustus Figuereido, 44, Principal of Figuereido's College of Accountancy, withdrew his objections to service in the Special Constabulary when informed that he would be put to the Control Section which would be more convenient for his work.

Mr Justice Gould, Chairman of the Tribunal, remarked that Figuereido's withdrawal was very sensible.

Other members of the Tribunal were Mr John McNeill, K. C., and Mr Lee Juching, M.B.E.

Figuereido said that he objected being in the Police Force because the nature of his work, which included evening classes. They would not enable him to attend instruction classes. At first he had understood he was going to do driving which would be more convenient.

Mr V. F. Clarke, Assistant Director of Manpower, informed the Tribunal that the original intention was to allocate Figuereido to be a driver to the Police Force, but after the receipt of a medical report regarding the colour test it was proposed to put him in the Controls. This required a yearly training of 60 hours with 24 hours at regular times after office hours and 36 hours at Figuereido's convenience.

Figuereido then announced that he would withdraw.

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From The Files 100 Years Ago

We have lately had a notice, headed PHILANTHROPY, of a proposal by a Tea dealing firm in England, to give £250 for the best essay on China, particularly on the capabilities of the country to consume our manufactures, the impediments, if any, to such consumption, effect of British duties on the consumption of Tea on the China trade generally, and the probable influence thereon of a reduction of duty.—On the Opium Trade, and its effect on Commerce and morals—suggestions as to the most efficient mode of extending Christianity in China &c. &c. Fifty pounds is a small sum for an essay embracing so many points; and we doubt whether there will be much competition for it. Perhaps, however, we may favour the premium offerers with a few lines. Let some other should be walking over the course and gaining the prize for an undue quantity of writing, is required; not but there are those, doubtless, who thinking that the sum offered is small, writers must act on the plan of the Tea tray pinner (as the tale was once told in our columns by a Correspondent who, from a bottle representation with regiments of soldiers, guns, and smoke, for a fair remuneration, reduced the details of his picture with the reduction of the wage, ending by furnishing his employer with an embellished Tea Tray upon which soldiers and cannons were very few, and the bulk of the picture was —SMOKE.

But there is a point of much greater interest to those interested in the China trade than either of the points mentioned in the prize prospectus; and right glad should we be to see it dilated on. It is not extended knowledge of the capabilities of China to consume our manufactures—nor the effect of the British duties on Tea—of the Opium Traffic—nor of the propagation of Christianity that will answer to them, any certain end; nor is such knowledge so much, immediately, as a small, able and logical solution of the question: How shall we conserve and foster that trade with China which we, and the rest of the world, at present enjoy? This question is one of great importance; and well would it be if each country who maintained a Consular representative there would join in congress, and institute a series of resolutions, and form such resolutions as should tend to advance the interests of all, and remove some of the many obstacles that now obstruct the onward progress of this great trade. This may appear Utopian, but it is feasible.

CHINA CLOSED

China is closed to us. How shall it be opened?—by the force of arms—by display of the grandeur of reason, or the antiquated exercise of brute instinct, which tears down the object that opposes its will? There is no doubt but the ignorance of the people of Europe and America as to the state of the world's relations with China is very great—bordering perhaps on the ridiculous.